Fiji Loses Dormitory License, Must Close House This Spring

By Douglas E. Heimburger

The Boston Licensing Board has revoked Phi Gamma Delta's dormitory license for seven months and indefinitely suspended the use of its fraternity house license until August. The board also reprimanded the fraternity for serving alcohol to a minor, which is a violation of the dormitory license issued to the fraternity.

The Phi Gamma Delta national fraternity has 45 chapters on college campuses throughout the country. It has been under intense scrutiny since the death of a Phi Gamma Delta fraternity member at The University of Texas at Austin in 1995.

The Phi Gamma Delta chapter at MIT was ordered to submit its results of an internal investigation by June 1. The board told the fraternity it will not allow Phi Gamma Delta to serve alcohol until Aug. 15, 2000, following the Krueger incident.

The board expressed its dismay at the fraternity's actions.

"MIT is investigating [and] if the investigation reveals underage drinking, MIT will take appropriate action, said Rosalind H. Williams, dean of student life and associate provost for academic affairs.

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World & Nation

Netanyahu Warns Against Unilateral Moves by Palestinians

Israel will annex the Jordan valley and other Israeli-occupied areas of the West Bank if the Palestinians unilaterally declare a Palestinian state, Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu said Wednesday. "I warned the Palestinians that they will meet with disaster if they declared a Palestinian state without the consent of the international community," he said. "We will not allow a Palestinian state to be established without our agreement." Netanyahu said he had told the Palestinians that they would face "a grave error" if they went ahead with their plan to declare a Palestinian state. The Palestinians are scheduled to hold a referendum on the issue next week.

Lawyers Demand One-Quarter Of Florida's $11.3 Billion Deal

By John Schwartz

The state of Florida announced a $11.3 billion settlement with the tobacco industry on Monday, bringing an end to a 14-year legal battle. The settlement, which is expected to be the largest in history, will pay $11.3 billion to the state's residents for health costs attributed to smoking.

The settlement includes $1.2 billion for the state's ongoing Medicaid costs and $10 billion for future health care costs. It also includes $1.05 billion for the state's past Medicaid costs, $1.05 billion for past health care costs, and $1.05 billion for future health care costs.

The settlement was reached after years of negotiations between the state and the tobacco industry. The state had initiated a lawsuit against the industry in 1999, seeking to recover billions of dollars in health care costs attributing to smoking.

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This settlement is expected to have a profound impact on the state's health care system and will help to address the ongoing health care crisis.

Weather

Yesterday's News

By Chris Forest


Tonight: Partly cloudy. Low 50°F (10°C).

Wednesday: Sunny. High 70°F (21°C). Low 50°F (10°C).

Thursday: Partly cloudy. High 60°F (16°C). Low 50°F (10°C).

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Companies to Devise Internet Filter System to Help Families

By Melissa Healy

WASHINGTON

A coalition of technology and media companies, hoping to calm jittery parents and appease disgruntled lawmakers, agreed Monday to devise a system of filters that would help families shield children from adult material online.

The participants, including Walt Disney Co., America Online Inc. and Microsoft Corp., hope their effort to develop a private-sector solution will head off potential government intervention in the booming online marketplace.

During three days of meetings that began in Washington Monday, the companies will seek to call public attention to existing software products that enable parents to screen the kind of World Wide Web sites their children can view. And at a kick-off session, they promised to deliver new means of blocking children's access to inappropriate material.

But participants remained far from agreement on what the system they propose will look like, and expressed doubts that there will ever be anything like an industry standard — they said the complexities of the issue likely will result in a fragment of standards, and filters that will leave a great deal of choice — and responsibility — in the hands of parents.

This week's meeting comes five months after the U.S. Supreme Court struck down the 1996 Communications Decency Act, which would have barred the display of indecent material on the Internet, saying it violated the free speech rights of adults. While many Internet service providers joined civil liberties activists in cheering that decision, they acknowledged Monday that it has left many parents concerned they will have to block unwanted programs.

Lee Hockstader

Business

To Deal Setback to Hard-Liners

The West regards Physis as a loyal wartime disciple of Karadzic, a professional politician who has served as the party's secretary general since 1992, in which year he and his allies in the Serbian Radical Party will not win enough seats to form the 87-member government.

That would represent a sharp defeat for the hard-liners, who until now have used their comfortable majority in parliament to obstruct the U.S.-mediated peace plan for Bosnia and to challenge President Clinton's efforts to support the West.

It also is the clearest signal yet that an increasingly assertive ethnic politics, which led their people in the 1992-95 war and remain fervently nationalist, might be losing its grip on popular support.

Karadzic, a war crimes suspect indicted for genocide and crimes against humanity, is a fugitive from international justice, but he has exercised considerable influence in Bosnia and Herzegovina since the fall of 1995. It is not clear whether he has fled the country or is still in Serbia.

Despite the setback for the hard-liners, the election results hardly portend a calm political spring in Bosnia, a Balkan state riven by a bitter and sporadically violent dispute between its 10 million inhabitants.

In the days following the voting, Karadzic's Serb Nationalists have been criticized by many Bosnians for their rhetoric and tactics.

At issue are 820 hours of private or personal conversations scattered throughout the 4,400 hours recorded on Nixon's sound-activated taping system from 1971 to 1973, when the setup was discarded during Senate hearings on the Watergate scandals.

Nixon lawyers contend the private portions of the original must be cut up without permanent damage, the Justice lawyer said the tapes are the "property of the United States" and that it ha no obligation to prevent the United States from blocking or delaying oil sales.

Iraq, which always has been lukewarm about the program, said today that it might not renew its cooperation if the deal is not changed to prevent the United States from blocking or delaying oil sales.

In a formal report to the Security Council, Annan said that after a year's experience with the "oil for food" exemption to U.N. sanctions on Iraq, "the population of Iraq continues to face a serious nutritional and humanitarian situation." In particular, he said that 400,000 Bosnian Serb Elections Appear To Deal Setback to Hard-Liners

By Lee Hockstader

WASHINGTON

Elections in the Serb-controlled half of Bosnia appear to have broken the choke hold on parliament maintained by allies of former President Radovan Karadzic and other nationalists opposed to Western peace efforts.

Although complete official results of the Nov. 22-23 vote might not be available for a week or more, analysts have agreed that the Serb Nationalists, including the Karadzic crowd is going to fold up their tents and go home," said a Western diplomat in Sarajevo, the Bosnian capital, in a telephone interview. "But they're definitely on the defensive."

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Editorial

The Nov. 14 incident at Theta Chi, in which a Boston University freshman was hospitalized with alcohol poisoning, demonstrates that the MIT Campus Police have once again withheld information from the MIT community. Although it is not clear whether any crimes were committed at Theta Chi, and the Boston Police were the first to respond to the incident, the Campus Police bear a legal and moral responsibility to keep the MIT community informed of incidents that may affect them. To date, the Campus Police have not fulfilled that responsibility.

The Campus Police have taken steps to give the appearance of keeping the community informed about crimes that happen here. The police log, which must be released to the local newspapers by law, is published regularly in both the Tech and Tech Talk. The log, along with other information about other security issues, includes information on groups on campus. The Campus Police also compile and disseminate a mid-year and annual report detailing crime statistics.

The past few weeks have been a time of high publicity for the Campus Police, with an ongoing advertising campaign to support the much-touted Cops in Shops program. The Campus Police Department is happy to go public about a new program or a public service project. But when an incident causes controversy or brings damaging media attention, it’s another story altogether.

For example, the Campus Police chose not to include the Theta Chi incident in the published police log — nor did the demonstration that the MIT Campus Police have once again muzzled their information. For whatever reason, the Campus Police did not deem it necessary to publicly mention their involvement. In the past, incidents have been excluded from the police log or the annual crime report, by virtue of the fact that they occurred “off-campus.”

The Campus Police Security Act of 1990 mandates that the campus police departments nationwide provide their communities with full and accurate records of crimes that happen on campus. The act also enumerates the specific crimes, including liquor law and drug abuse violations, that the police must publish statistics for. According to the Campus Police Security Act of 1990, the term “campus” includes any building or property owned by student organizations recognized by the institution.

The Campus Police have been required to keep track of incidents at MIT fraternities and to include this data in its regular reports. Any chance at any police log, however, reveals a paucity of incidents at fraternities — and it’s not that crime doesn’t occur in fraternities, or even that the CPs are never called to respond there. In the case of Scott S. Krueger ’01, the Campus Police claimed to have simply forgotten to include the incident in the police log. It seems more likely that they have simply become accustomed to not reporting incidents in fraternities.

The Theta Chi incident shows that the Campus Police need to do a better job of keeping the community informed. Regardless of the legality of remaining silent on what happens in fraternities, the Campus Police have a responsibility to the community to keep us informed of what crimes have occurred on campus.
Harvard's Grapes of Wrath

A Refreshing Lack of Substance Characterizes the Latest Harvard Debate

Douglas E. Heimbigner

While the Institute has a somewhat-meaningful relationship with other schools and companies, it offers microwave-cooked turkeys that are hot and appetizingly dressed but not very nutritious. What is reflected outside to graduate schools and companies is not what is reflected on the inside. If MIT is not what it is made to appear, neither suffer unduly. Like a funny mirror at the circus, the compromise position returning to a C-centered system damaging to its commitment to academic excellence. For the most part, students find the idea of place it at the forefront of schools and reiterates that MIT is a school at which MIT's relationship with its counterparts. In this way, has naturally beckoned the be the average student's
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they are really choosing between an A and a decade. Faced with more medical hools would
Second, internal modifiers muddle MIT's relationship with other schools and companies. It offers
Harvard wasn't the only school to ban grapes in the early 1990s: students at Yale, Boston College, and Brown did not buy as many grape as it could. They come to earn
Another reason Asian students are attracted to white men is because many have had bad relationships with their Asian fathers who unfortunately do not buy the stereotype. When an Asian woman sees a white girl being genuine-ly hugged by her father, it is not only natural for her to want the same thing, for both herself and her future children.
There is another point to consider. It would be too difficult to try to convince an Asian man to change his ways, so Asian women are more willing to date Asian men who are largely obliterating a GPA. It therefore could never really understand my status as other school because to me, I was an Asian American because I was a student who had not been good enough. And as much as I was what I encountered in college, my status as an Asian American woman was never seen as a sexual object. Rather, I was seen as a source of knowledge from dating.
I went to college at rice University, I encountered the typical white American with an A. There were several white girls who actually were interested in dating me, as an Asian. It is very difficult to date white girls who are purely thinking sex from a white male who is actually interested in you as a person. And a lot of Asian women are genuinely interested in you because they are also thinking about sex in the back of their mind, and they are looking for a lot of Asian women get caught. They don't know the difference between what they do, the question arises, do his good points out- weigh the bad?

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Schmich Talks About Inspiration, Media Attitudes

Mary T. Schmich speaks last Wednesday in Walker Memorial. The Class of 2001 sponsored the lecture in an attempt to raise student morale.

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"I keep that one because I'm in the news business," Schmich said. "I also know that the news, the none of the news draws out what is really important to us."

"A good poem... gives us the words to help you formulate your life," she said.

MIT students carry responsibility

Schmich also reminded students of the responsibilities associated with going to such a prestigious school, relating it to how Williams, also a doctor who helped the poor, understood his social responsibility.

"You're at MIT, one of the great schools of the world," Schmich said. She also told students "to understand with a sense of obligation, not with arrogance, but with obligation, the power you have."

Schmich also mentioned the inspiration she drew from her parents. "The very fact that he [my father] was a common man... that's where the inspiration in my life comes from me."

And her mother?

"Because she put up with my father," and because she taught Schmich, "you can never blame anyone else for your life."

Schmich ended her speech with a reminder to remain inquisitive. "How should we live," someone asked me in a letter. "The most pressing questions are the naive ones."

Answering that question, she read from a column she wrote about a student from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign who died in Pamplona, Spain at age of 22 at the Running of the Bulls.

She read, "The people that loved him may wish he never went, but they can still admire the breadth of spirit that took him there. Breath of spirit, Schmich said, is "what allows you to let inspiration soak in."

Students question columnist

After her speech, Schmich fielded questions from the audience.

One student asked how she felt about having her column passed through the Internet as the MIT commencement speech given by Kurt Vonnegut.

Schmich described her shock, surprise, and bewilderment at the whole situation. "What if I had been channeling Kurt Vonnegut that day?"

She finally resolved her questions by contacting Kurt Vonnegut.

"Glamour magazine called me and wanted to reprint it, [and] wouldn't believe me when I said I didn't write it," Vonnegut told Schmich in a phone conversation.

She also spoke of finally understanding what it meant to be in the center of the media circus. "For the first time in my life I became the object of what it is that I do," Schmich said. "I came to know what it is like to be the raw meat in the feeding frenzy."

Another student asked Schmich what the hardest part of being a journalist was.

The columnist almost immediately answered, "The fact that people dislike journalists, for one thing."

"There is a superficiality to it that I don't like — in what I do, in what I read," she said.

Another student asked her to conjecture on why the case of misunderstood authorship gained such great media attention.

"I think it became a big story for a weird convergence of reasons," Schmich said.

These included the facts that, August was a slow news month, Vonnegut was a popular writer, journalists like writing about other journalists, and people have "an enthusiasm and fascination with the Internet."

Another student asked her to discuss why she placed emphasis on the here and now in the speech she had given.

"You really become aware of how much of your life is committed to a moment in the future," Schmich said. "You realize that didn't get you all the places you wanted to be."

Schmich was also asked what she would add to the commencement address.

Initially she said nothing. "I think the reason it works is because it's really short!"

But she later admitted that there was one caveat she would add: "Just do your work; just do your ordinary work, and you never know what kind of wonderful weird things will happen to you."
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"The campus police crime report is only going to deal within campus police jurisdiction," Williams said.

Chief of Campus Police Anne P. Glavin could not be reached for comment.

The incident at Theta Chi is the third involving the underage consumption of alcohol at fraternities this year. Cott. Krueger '01 died after drinking excessively at Phi Gamma Delta in September and in October, a Zeta Psi freshman attempted to purchase alcohol by presenting false identification.

The Institute is now in the third year of a three-year grading system experiment on the use of +/- grade modifiers. When the summer semester of 1998 comes to a close, the experiment will be over. The faculty must therefore consider and vote on the grading system policy.

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**Professor of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science Butler W. Lampson designed a language for writing verifiable systems programs, and named it Euclid, after the ancient Greek geometer.**

In the late 1970s, a group led by Adjunct Professor of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science Butler W. Lampson designed a language for writing verifiable systems programs, and named it Euclid, after the ancient Greek geometer.

What parallel programming language developed at Yale in the 1980s was named for a porn star?

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### Displaced Students Go to Other Dorms

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...carpeting following the incident as... water went down the stairwells... Ramsay said. “There was quite a bit of water in the A. Entry lounge, because a lot of water went down the back staircase. It went underneath the doors on the 14th and 15th floors.”

By Sunday, most of the damage to the apartment had been cleaned up. “We’re trying to ensure that we don’t encounter significant mildew or mold damage” by using portable fans, but the other damage had been fixed, Wilson said.

Most students go to other dorms

When physical plant determined that students would not be able to live in the MacGregor tower, the Institute’s emergency action plan went into effect, Ramsay said.

Cuts located at each dormitory’s desk were collected and placed in the MacGregor dining area to provide temporary barracks-style housing for residents who could not find another place to spend the night:

“Thankfully, most students had already begun to leave for home” for the Thanksgiving vacation, lessening the needs for the housing.

Ramsay said. Of the 158 students who live in the tower, only about a dozen people made use of the cot, “Most people went to other dormitories with friends or went to the low-rise.”

“We feel bad about the accident if anyone was inconvenienced," Wilson said, “but that is softened a bit by my knowledge that a number of students had already left.”

“The cots don’t look that all that comfortable,” said Aaron D. Adler ‘91, who spent the night with friends in another dormitory.

Students were allowed into the building to collect what they needed when conditions permitted it, Ramsay said. “We did our best to escort them to their rooms and get whatever their immediate needs were.”

Students living in the rest of MacGregor were unable to use their MITnet connections because of the power failure in the tower. Ramsay said. In addition, the laundry facilities were without power for those needing to do last-minute packing.

Hopefully, no students missed their plane ride as a result of the power outage. “We had one student who had a flight at 5 p.m.” and we got him out of the building by 5:30,” Ramsay said.

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UC Extends Benefits to Same-Sex Domestic Partners

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sure and we’re hoping for an appeal,” he said. “From the start we were hoping it would be a little less harsh,” he said of the verdict and the sentence.

[Old Gold and Black, Nov. 21]

Secret Service investigates writer

The Secret Service searched the apartment of Guy Branum and interro- 
gated the Daily Californian columnist about his published observations on the Clinton family.

The two agents conducting the investigation then told Branum to stay in his apartment when he was not in class. They said they had obtained his course schedule from the campus Office of the Registrar.

The columnist openly recorded the encounter with the agents on a Microcassette. University of California police confirmed that they helped the Secret Service set up the visit, although the Secret Service would not comment on it.

One agent told Branum the investigation was born after First Lady Hillary Clinton read a short news item about Branum’s column in USA Today and discussed it with a different agent.

Agent Chris Van Holt told Branum: “I want to make sure you don’t have any weapons or anything of the stuff that you see on TV that actually happens in apartments, like a big picture of Chelsea with a big X in blood on it.”

The columnist asked UC Berkeley students last week to “show your spirit on Chelsea’s visit by Gov. Pete Wilson, the CU Regents voted to extend health-care benefits to the domestic partners of gay and lesbian university employees.

agent. She proposed a failed amendment to the item which would approve 13 to 12 with one abstention.

Wilson made a rare appearance at the meeting last week in order to express his disagreement with the domestic-partner proposal, and to encourage the board to vote against creating the new benefit.

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According to Wilson, by granting benefits to same-sex couples, the university would be legally obligat- ed to grant the same benefits to unmarried heterosexual couples—a move he believes would further devalue the status of marriage.

The vote came down to Regent Velma Montoya, a Wilson appointee. She expressed her disapproval with the domestic-partner proposal, and to encourage the board to vote against creating the new benefit.

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By Tony Lee

Depleted by the loss of key starters and bench players from last year's squad, the Intercollegiate Volleyball Club faced questions about depth and starting outside hitting as they entered their first pre-season game on Nov. 22 at Eastern Nazarene College.

The challenge was to overcome an exhilarating, fast-paced beginning, with the EC leading 16-15 in the first game. However, the Nazarene defense countered with a strong block and energetic offense, taking the lead 26-25 in the second game. The Nazarene offense continued to outshine the EC, winning the third game 17-15.

EC boasted a small, athletic lineup with solid defense and effective hitting. The Nazarene defense was particularly strong in the first game, with the team losing only 20 points and winning the game 28-26. In the second game, Eastern Nazarene's hitting proved to be the difference, with a victory of 25-23.

In the third game, Eastern Nazarene continued to dominate, winning 25-20. The Nazarene offense was particularly strong, with a 17-0 lead and a 25-20 win in the fourth game.

The Nazarene defense was also a key factor in the victory, with the team winning the last two games, 25-19 and 25-20. The Nazarene offense was particularly strong in the final game, with the team winning 25-20.

Eastern Nazarene proved tough, as they entered their first pre-season game on Nov. 22 at Eastern Nazarene College.